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Land use planning meetings continue in Sept.

INDIANAPOLIS – The land use planning phase of *Indianapolis Insight*, the update to the Comprehensive Plan for Marion County, continues with meetings in the Pike and Wayne Township planning areas.

Pike Township

✓ **Meeting #7**: Sept. 16, 7 p.m. at Pike Township Government Center, 5665 Lafayette Rd.

Wayne Township

- ✓ **Meeting #5**: Sept. 9, 7 p.m. at Northwest High School media center, 5525 W. 34th St.
- ✓ **Meeting #6**: Sept. 30, 7 p.m. at Garden City Elementary School, 4901 Rockville Rd.
- ✓ **Additional meeting**: Sept. 11, 5:30 p.m. at UNWA, Inc. offices, 1100 W. 30th St. (This meeting will discuss land use plans for a portion of northwestern Center Township, which is included in the Wayne Township planning area).

As part of the comprehensive plan update, the City of Indianapolis, Department of Metropolitan Development (DMD) planned a series of nine public meetings in each of the surrounding eight townships to gather citizen input on land use. These meetings began in May and early June in Pike and Wayne Townships and will continue in Perry and Lawrence later this year, followed by Washington and Warren, and Decatur and Franklin townships respectively. The agenda of each township meeting will build upon discussions and outcomes of previous meetings, so residents are encouraged to attend as frequently as possible.

The order of the township planning meetings was determined by ranking the townships based on land use needs and urgency.

Indianapolis Insight, developed by DMD's Division of Planning, is comprised of two phases: community values, which was completed earlier this year, and land use. The land use component is required by state law as the basis for zoning and includes both objectives and policies for future land use development that involves public ways, places, land, structures and utilities. It also is required by a number of state and federal grant programs in which the city takes part.

The comprehensive plan update is slated for completion sometime in 2004 or 2005.

The public meeting schedule is available online at *indygov.org/dmdplan/indianapolisinsight*.